

Exploring Puke Ariki

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Kia ora tamariki ma, what a wonderful adventure we had on our excursion to Puke Ariki. We caught a public bus from Manu, for some children it was their first time having a ride on a bus this in itself was exciting. Our first stop at Puke Ariki was the Library everyone settled down making themselves comfortable on cushions and listened to stories read by two librarians. They also engaged us with puppetry, rhymes and opportunities for movement and music. When they had finished we had our morning tea and then independently explored the many facilities in the children's section. Where we discovered dress ups, tunnels, colouring and computers. Some children scanned the book shelves and selected additional books to listen to more stories. What a great way to foster our love for literacy and language. Then it was time to gather our belongings take a ride in the lift and walk across the glass bridge over the road to explore the Museum.



When we arrived we put our bags into a cage so we could all become detectives through participating in the great Ruru hunt. Armed with our clues and our teams we set off to explore the many exhibits. Enjoying interacting with many interesting areas we gained lots of new information and marked off our Ruru sheet as we followed the clues and found the items. What a fabulous morning we had out in our community in a literacy rich environment.